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ROLLING BEARING DEVICE AND RING WITH SENSOR FOR THE ROLLING

BEARING DEVICE

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.97 and 1.98

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Sir:

In accordance with the duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. § 1.56, Applicants hereby notify the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office of the documents which are listed on the attached PTO/SB/08 A & B (modified) form and/or listed herein and which the Examiner may deem material to patentability of the claims of the above-identified application.

One copy of each of the listed documents is submitted herewith.

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concise explanation requirement under with the In compliance 37 C.F.R. § 1.98(a)(3) for the cited foreign language document, Applicants submit that the English Abstract of JP -A-7-260815 indicates its relevance.

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